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AND OPTICAL SPECTROSCOPY  
MEASUREMENT SYSTEM

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
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In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, Applicants request  
reconsideration with the reasons set forth below.

**REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on August 9, 2004, failed to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) as copies of the foreign patents and articles were not submitted. Applicants are resubmitting the IDS for reconsideration in conjunction with copies of the references previously omitted.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected the claims based on obviousness-type double patenting. In response thereto, Applicants have filed a Terminal Disclaimer.